



# Kearney County Board Minutes



## REGULAR MEETING

### BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

#### KEARNEY COUNTY, NEBRASKA

December 17, 2013 – 9:30 A.M.

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Kearney County, NE was held December 17, 2013 at 9:30 a.m. in the Supervisors' Room of the Courthouse in Minden, NE. Present were Chairman Richard A. Schwenka and Board Members Dick McBride, Larry Landstrom, Roy John Nelson, William Pittner, Robert Swanson and Ross Bruning. Also present was County Clerk Myra Johnson, County Attorney Melodie Bellamy, Randy Smith Hwy. Supt., Joe Anderson, Zoning Admin. and Jim Edgecombe from the Minden Courier.

Detailed Minutes from the Board of Supervisors Meeting are available for inspection at the County Clerk's Office.

The Board of Supervisors took the following action:

-Approved the minutes of the Board of Supervisors meeting of 12-3-2013.

-Approved Bills and Claim. (See Below)

-Set Board of Supervisors meeting dates for January 7 and 21, 2014 at 9:30 a.m.

-Approved changes to the County Employee Handbook. Page 9 was a typographical error. Page 19 was changing 8:00 a.m. to 30 minutes before your normal start time. The employee receipt page was changed for clarification. This handbook takes effect. January 1, 2014.

-Adopted a resolution to set salaries for Elected Officials for the Term January 2015 to January 2019 as follows:  
FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2015 –

For <b>County Assessor, County Treasurer</b>	\$ 48,500
For <b>County Clerk</b>	\$ 48,500
Plus additional compensation for the multiple office responsibilities of the offices of Register of Deeds and Election Commissioner	<u>\$ 4,000</u>
	\$ 52,500
For <b>Clerk of the District Court</b>	\$ 46,000
For <b>Public Defender</b>	\$ 25,500
For <b>County Surveyor</b>	\$ 100
For <b>County Attorney</b>	\$ 75,000
For <b>County Sheriff</b>	\$ 55,000
Plus for the added responsibilities of the County Jail and as Director of the Communications Center	<u>\$ 8,000</u>
	\$ 63,000
For <b>County Supervisor</b>	\$ 10,800
For the <b>Chairman of the Board of Supervisors</b>	\$ 11,520

-All of the aforesaid Offices will receive an annual increase during the Term of Office (2016, 2017 and 2018) of \$1,500.00 per year except Public Defender annual increase will be \$750.00 for 2016, 2017 and 2018 and County Supervisors who will have an increase of 2 ½ % for 2016, 2017 and 2018. All salaries are plus all fringe benefits and retirement benefits which shall be available from time to time to County Employees.

-Approved the salaries for all Deputies of Elected Officials, except the Sheriff's Office, County Attorney's office and Public Defender's office will be set at an hourly wage approximately 82 percent (82%) of the elected Officials annual salary for the calendar years 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018. Deputy County Attorney salary will be \$43,000.00 in 2015 with a \$900.00 increase for each year of 2016, 2017 and 2018. Deputy Public Defender salary will be 50% of the Public Defender's salary for 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018. All salaries are plus all fringe benefits and retirement benefits which shall be available from time to time to County Employees.

-Met with Colton Cochran and Brian Cochran of Midwest Mailings concerning a new postage machine that does not require fees to be paid every time there is a postage increase. Approved the lease agreement for a Digital Mailing System with a Dynamic Weigh Platform for 39 months at \$316.63 per month.

-Met with Adam Powers from Wellness Partners LLC concerning a health fair for county employees with no cost to the County. Their strategy is to improve the health and wellbeing of the employees as well as minimizing the financial impact of health care reform. Savings generated by their services include reduced



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medical costs, lower Workman's comp. claims, and a more productive workforce. They will look into putting a proposal together for the County.

-Held a Public Hearing from 10:00 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. for a Special Use Permit for Horvath Communications for a tract in the SE corner of the NE1/4 of 23-7-13. Derek McGrew of Horvath Communications appeared via telephone to answer any questions the Board of Supervisors had. No one else appeared. The Special Use Permit was approved.

-Met with Randy Smith Highway Supt. Approved the Chairman of the Board to sign the Notice to Proceed for Keene Road Resurfacing.

-Adjourned the Board of Supervisors meeting at 12:40 p.m.

/s/ Richard A. Schwenka, Chairman  
Kearney County  
Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

/s/ Myra Johnson  
Kearney County Clerk  
(SEAL)

## GENERAL FUND

Axis Capital, Inc.	Lease	197.00
Melodie Bellamy, Co. Atty.	Cell Ph. & Mil.	66.73
Buffalo Co. Sheriff	Sv.	86.50
Butler, Voigt & Stewart, P.C.	Sv.	142.50
Carquest	Su.	33.61
Cass Co. Court	Cert. Copies	4.25
Charter Comm.	In.	154.99
Chesterman Co.	Su.s	20.00
Comm. Action Ptnsp. of Mid-NE	Senlow Bus	850.71
Dell Mktg., L. P.	Su.	118.20
Dier, Osborn & Cox, P.C.	Sv.	861.99
Dollar General	Su.	47.00
Douglas Co. Court	Cert. Copies	6.25
Eakes Office Plus	Copies	322.46
Ronald Elliott, Appr.	Sv.	2,875.00
Fifth Street Prtg.	Su.	77.85
First Concord Benefits Grp, L.L.C.	Fees	323.00
Jill Fritson, Ck of the Dist. Ct.	Mil.	214.70
Kearney Co. Road Dept.	Fuel	1,346.40
Kearney Co. Sheriff's Fund	Fees	60.50
KONE, Inc.	Mnt.	310.79
Lexmark Intl., Inc.	Su.	384.22
Lieske Law Firm	Sv.	1,972.60
Mason's Mkt., Inc.	Su.	39.92
Minden Courier	Sv.	42.02
Minden Hdwe.	Su.	192.11
Minden Lbr. & Concrete C.	Su.	14.72
Minden Office Supply	Su.	396.66
MIPS, Inc.	Sv.	276.50



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NE Assoc. of Co. Officials	2 <sup>nd</sup> Half Dues	1,464.70
NE Supreme Court	Publ.	62.00
NE Tech & Telecomm.	Sv.	938.91
Sharon Nielsen	Mil.	40.12
Kent E. Person, Atty.	Sv.	1,135.00
Phelps Co. Sheriff's Office	Sv.	45.00
Software Unlimited Corp.	Su.	120.00
Source Gas	Ut.	165.82
Verizon	Sv.	296.54
	TOTAL	\$15,707.27

## **ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND**

Jan Carter dba Carter Elec. & Sply	Sv.	\$70.00
First Concord Benefits Grp., L.L.C.	Fees	235.41
Garrett Tires	Tires	3,029.00
Midwest Serv. and Sales Co.	Su.	1,275.00
Miller & Assoc. Cons. Eng., P.C.	Eng.	9,430.00
Minden Office Supply	Su.	135.37
NAPA	Su.	77.00
NE State Fire Marshal	Annual Fee	240.00
Newman Traffic Signs	Su.	1,347.50
Nu-Towel Co.	Su.	200.20
	TOTAL	\$16,039.48

## **NOXIOUS WEED FUND**

City of Minden	Ut.	25.00
Kearney Co. Road Dept.	Fuel	60.48
Kimball Midwest	Su.	88.99
Minden Office Supply	Su.	157.06
	TOTAL	\$331.53

## **COMMUNICATIONS FUND**

Exch. Bank	Lease	\$294.00
NE Tech & Telecomm.	Sv.	381.48
	TOTAL	\$675.48



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